LOCATION OF PALLASZ ATHÉNÉ UNIVERSITY

Three faculties of Pallasz Athéné University (Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, Faculty of Horticulture and Rural Development, Teacher Training Faculty) are located in Kecskemét, while the Faculty of Economy is in Szolnok.

THE CITY OF KECSKEMÉT

Kecskemét – the county seat of Bács-Kiskun County – fusing all the beauty and values of the Great Hungarian Plain is situated in the middle of Hungary, approximately 85 kms from Budapest. The city – using its favourable geographical location – developed into the economic, administrative, educational and cultural centre of the region; it gives home for several institutions of fine arts, unique collections, and dignified festivals. The name of the city originates from the word „kecske” (meaning „goat”) and „mét” meaning “district”. The goat can be seen in the coat of arms as well above the platform with the motto of the city beneath it: „Neither height, nor depth frightens us.” Kecskemét is one of the most dinamically developing settlements in Hungary. While the overall population of the country is decreasing, the number of inhabitants in Kecskemét is increasing. According to the 1980 census 92,047 people lived in Kecskemét, but by the year 2012, over 114,000 people inhabited the city. It is estimated that this number will reach 130,000 within the next 10 to 15 years. As a result, Kecskemét will most likely become the 7th largest city in Hungary.

THE CITY OF SZOLNOK

Szolnok – the seat of Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok County – lies in the heart of the Alföld (Great Hungarian Plain). The town is intersected by rivers Tisza and Zagyva, their flood basins and backwaters. With its population nearly 75,000 people, Szolnok is not the biggest but one of the most beautiful county seats of Hungary. The mention of its name conjures up the Tisza River, the Szigligeti Theatre, the Artists’ Colony, basketball, water sports and plenty of intact natural beauties, and built at the confluence of the two rivers and its residents have always been tough and industrious people.

Apart from the wildlife treasures of the river valleys, Szolnok owns another treasure: the wonders that our medicinal thermal waters make are known to many and are being discovered by more and more people every year. The attractiveness of the town is enhanced by a number of large-scale events that have grown into a tradition.